

**Hamlet of Good Spirit Acres
Annual General Meeting
Minutes
September 21, 2025
Spilchen Meadows Camp Kitchen 1:00 p.m.**

The meeting convened at the camp kitchen at Spilchen Meadows. There were 16 attendees including presenters, and materials were supplied to attendees including the 2025 AGM Meeting Agenda the current Financial Statement and the 2024 AGM minutes for review.

Call to Order: Chair, Deb Schmidt called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. Hamlet Board members Glen Bolt and Lyle Ruf were present. James Morton, RM representative and Dave Popowich, Municipality Reeve were also in attendance.

1. Welcome and opening remarks: Deb Schmidt welcomed all participants to the meeting.
2. Deb introduced members of the Hamlet Board Glen Bolt and Lyle Ruf, Dave Popowich RM Reeve and James Morton Rm Councilor the Hamlet, Sean Wilson MLA and Denise Morton GSA Community Association.
Invitees unable to attend were Linus Blackstock, Dave Wonder, DN Patel, Good Spirit Golf Course.
3. Request for review and a motion to adopt the proposed meeting agenda.

Motion 21/09/25 #01- Made by Sherry Shumay that the agenda be accepted as presented. Carried.

4. Reading and Review of the September 22, 2024 Annual General Meeting Minutes: Deb Schmidt asked for a review and a motion to accept the minutes.

Motion 21/09/25 #02- Made by Dale Schmidt to accept the September 22, 2024 minutes as presented. Carried.

5. Business arising from the minutes:

Bayhill Road Repairs –This project was started over 8 years ago and was completed this summer with the paving. The paving cost was \$30,758.10 within our projected budget.

7. Reports

- a) Finance – Financial statement was handed out for review. Glen's report covered the Hamlet is on budget for fiscal year except for the recycling costs have gone out of control with the end of the provinces recycling grants.
- b) Transfer & Maintenance – Lyle reported that two of our waste old dumpsters will be sent off for refurbishing, and the two new waste bins will be sent back to CIM in Humboldt for repainting. Over the winter a new portable set of stairs will be built for in front of the waste bins.
- c) Roads & Waterways – The drainage survey has been completed and the board will be meeting soon to discuss the options prior to a stakeholders meeting. The south corner of Capilano Dr over the creek will require some engineering and planning for a permanent repair.
- d) Lagoon & Lights – All streetlights working. If a streetlight requires repair please report it to one of the hamlet board members. To speed the repair, it would be beneficial to have the pole ID # located about 3' up the pole.

Motion 21/09/25 #03- Made by Sandra Konkel that the reports be accepted as presented. Carried.

6. Presentations

•**Dave Popowich** – Reeve of the RM of Good Lake 274

Update on the undertakings of the RM, Upgrading and clay capping were completed on a few different miles of the RM Grid roads this summer. Graveling is near completion on the RM roads. Two large diameter culverts 8'x50', have been identified as needing replacement from rusting out with an estimated cost of \$400,000.00. The RM has contracted a Manitoba company to come in with 5 mowers to cut ditches in the north ½ of the RM. Next year the southern ½ will be cut.

•**James Morton** – RM Hamlet Representative

SAMA reassessment was completed with marginal changes to residential properties but did see roughly 40% increase in agricultural land. The RM was able to reduce the Mill rate on Agriculture to offset the assessment increase. The Hamlet was able to leave it's Mill Rate unchanged but will need to keep an eye in the budget. The RM has filled the Building Development position internally with Tania McLoud. Kristian Tether a Hamlet resident has filled the receptionist position with the RM. Condolences to Elaine Park and family on the passing of Ed Park. Condolences as well to Marilyn Schindel & family on the passing of Ed Schindel. Parkland Library has moved into their new location in Yorkton and are addressing the staff wages to bring them into line with other library's. The present per capita levy is \$8.00 per person. The RM sent a pumper firetruck with 4 firefighters to assist in the northern fire fighting efforts. The Provincial Government made the request to all provincial fire departments and will be reimbursing the departments for their contributions.

- **Denise Morton** – Chair, GSA Community Assoc. presented her report. Report Attached.
- **DN Patel** – Owner of Good Spirit Market
Unable to attend
- **Good Spirit Golf Course** (invited to give presentation/no representative in attendance)
- **Sean Wilson MLA Canora-Pelly Constituency** – Health care remains top priority for the Saskatchewan government, investing more than 8 billion in health care with \$547 million of that for mental health and addictions care. \$33.8 million is to help stabilize rural and remote staffing. \$8.7 Million will be for recruitment incentives. 25 new nurse practitioners are being added in the rural and remote communities including Canora Kamsack and Preeceville. Canora Hospital upgrades to the electrical system and a new telemetry system for patient care is on the way. Kamsack Hospital to receive a new roof, foyer renovations and new alert system costing over \$2 million. Preeceville and Norquay hospitals also to receive upgrades from roof to sidewalks.
- **Linus Blackstock report Read by Lyle Ruf** – Report attached.

Motion 21/09/25 #04 - Made by Dale Schmidt that the reports be accepted as presented. Carried.

8. Election Board Vacancy

Deb thanked Karen Shabatowski her volunteer work as the nominating committee for our community and Dale Schmidt for acting as returning officer. Glen Bolt submitted his application for consideration and was announced as the successful candidate by acclamation, of which he accepted a four-year term.

Motion - 21/09/25 #05 Made by Dale Schmidt that Glen Bolt be elected to the board by acclamation. Carried.

9. Confirmation of Spring 2026 Informational Meeting – The tentative date for the Spring Information Meeting will be May 24th, 2026 at 1:00 pm, and the tentative date for the 2026 AGM is September 20th, 2026.

Motion 21/09/25 #06 - Made by Diane Ruf Meeting Adjourned at 1:54 pm.

Attached Reports-

GSA Community Association Report for AGM

On behalf of the Community Association Board, I would like to thank everyone that supported our events and our fundraisers. Your support benefits everyone in this community.

Our bottle drives throughout the year, and the grant received from Legacy Co-op have generated enough funds to allow us to proceed with insulating the kitchen. Currently the walls have all been insulated and hopefully this fall we will be able to finish insulating the ceiling. We will probably hold off on the siding until Spring 2026. Some work will be

done on the rink to replace some rotten boards and broken puck boards. We will also be building and installing a book nook and bulletin board in the playground.

With the kitchen being insulated, the Community Association plans on hosting afternoon coffee and games a couple times a week for our community. Our past potlucks have been well received; therefore, we will be looking at hosting a few throughout the winter for our residents. We are currently planning the Community Xmas Dinner, so please watch for the date and time on the bulletin board. Tickets will be available at the store for purchasing in November.

Xmas Greeting Board will be placed at the store in November. Anyone wanting to purchase a greeting board, the cost is \$10.00. All proceeds go to the Yorkton Community Frig. If anyone needs assistance with creating a board, please contact a member of the Community Assoc. Board, and we will be more than happy to assist you.

Community phone list has been updated. If anyone wishes to add their phone number to the list or update their number, please contact myself so I can update the master list.

A big THANK YOU to Sean Wilson for a \$500. donation to the Community Association.

Thank you to all who donated their time in helping to insulate the kitchen, repair the rink, building the book nook and overall maintenance.

These individuals help make our community a better place. Thank you!

Denise Morton

Fall Maintenance Report for AGM

- Maintain all Ditch's & Municipal Reserve land grass within the Hamlet Borders as needed
- Repair & Replace any Traffic & road signs along Hamlet Roadways
- Assisted Dale Cherewyk in locating Survey pins for lots 1002 Sure way Drive & 601 Heritage Lane.
- Trim grass & clean around all major culverts along Capalano Drive & Bayhill Drive & recommend this Fall all culverts be checked & cleaned along Heritage Lane driveways

Document Equipment checks, Maintain & Service Kubota Zero Turn Mower, Yamaha Rhino Side by Side, Swisher mower & Hand motor powered equip.

- Monitor the transfer site 6- yard garbage and Recycle Bins after Pickup, order pick up as needed for 30-yard construction Bin. Winter garbage & Recycle pick up will be once a month starting Oct. 3/25
- Monitor Garbage bins, Grass cutting, playground equipment inspections, Splichen Meadows Building exterior & adjust exterior lighting timer as needed
- Set up snow fence with volunteer help along #11 & 16 fairways on the westside of Capalano Drive. Snow fence set up will begin when Merv, Golf Course Supervisor gives the green light after he has winterized the greens.
- Burning of the Brush pile will be done when there is Absolutely no chance of flame spread or Forest fire. I'm the one Responsible for lighting the fire & I will only lite the Brush pile under the safest conditions.
- Attend OH&S meetings with the RM of Good Lake #274, next scheduled OH&S meeting Sept 26/25 at the Canora RM Office at 2:00 pm
- To all the Residents of the Hamlet of Good Spirit Acres thanks for all of your help in making this a better place to live thanks Linus

Linus Blackstock